PARMER JOHN'S RETURN.

Home from his journey Farmer John Arrived this morning safe and so und; His black coat off, and his old clothes on, "Now I'm myself," says Farmer John; And he thinks, "I'll look around " Up leaps the dog-"Get down, you pup! Are you so glad you would eat me up? And the old cow lows at the gate to meet hi "Well, well, old Bay !

Ha, ha, old Gray! Do you get good feed when I am away? "You have not a rib!" says Farmer John, "The cattle are looking round and sleek;

The colt is going to be a roan, And a beauty, too; how he has grown! We'll wean the calf next week." Says Farmer John, "When I've been off, To call you again about the trough, And watch you, and pet you while you drin Is a greater comfort than you think!"

And he pats old Bay, And he slaps old Gray; "Ab, this is the comfort of going away!"

"For, after all," says Farmer John, "The best of the journey is getting home. I've seen great sights; but would I give This spot, and the peaceful life I live, For all their Paris and Rome?

These hills for the city's stifled air, And big hotel, and bustle and glare, Land all houses, and roads all stones, That deafen your ears, and batter your bone Would you, old Bay?

Would you, old Gray? That's what one gets by going away!" "Their money is king," says Farmer John,

"And fashion is queeen; and its mighty quee To see how sometimes, while the man, Raking and scraping all he can, The wife spends every year, Enough you would think for a score of wive To keep them in luxury all their lives!

The town is a perfect Babylon To a quiet chap," says Farmer John. "You see, old Bay, You see, old Gray, I'm wiser than when I went away."

"I've found out this," says Farmer John, "That happiness is not bought and sold, And clatched in a life of waste and hurry, In nights of pleasure and days of worry, And wealth isn't all in gold' Mortgages and stocks at ten per cent.,

But in simple ways and sweet content, Few wants, pure hopes, and noble ends, Some land to till and a few good friends, Like you, old Bay, And you, old Gray, That's what I've learned by going away."

And a happy man is Farmer John, O, a rich and happy man is he; He sees the pease and pumpkins growing, The corn in tassels, the buckwheat blowing. And fruit on vine and tree: The large, kind oven look their thanks

As he rubs their foreheads and strokes their The doves light round him, and strat and coo And you, old Bay,

And you, old Gray,

Next time I travel so far away!"

AN ORIGINAL NOVELETTE.

"A Heroine of To-Day. SITTEN FOR THE HARTFORD HERALD.

By VIOLA. CHAPTER III.

How often, when we are about to real ize the fond desire that has nestled in our hearts since youth, the cup of disappointment is thrust to our lips and we are obliged to drink deeply of its contents, too often to the very dregs.

Thus felt Latta Green, when she and Fido, the old associate of her childhood, went to bid farewell to her mother's grave before returning to school. Weeks had sped by since her mother's death, but she was so stupified with grief that neither Mr. or Mrs. Ellis could summon courage to ask sighed for freedom, that he might throw her to return to school. When they did himself at her feet and implore the reso, she looked vacantly at them for awhile, turn of the passionate beatings of his and then said:

"Yes, I will return, my kind benefactors as you desire it so much. But why should I? Whom have I to live for now?-whom to look forward with bright anticipations when my education is completed? No one! gladly would be have erased every thought no one! for my angel mother has gone!"

head in Mrs. Ellis' lap bursted into a violent fit of weeping.

Mrs. Ellis spoke of the deep interest she and her husband felt in their bereaved protege-how anxious for her welfare; and allured him to such villainy. They imas Latta grew quiet she went on to speak of her mother, who would watch over her daughter from her angelic home; and that daughter should not swerve from duty, even to herself or others. Though she thought none cared for her talents, God had bestowed them on her, and how nec- her. essary it was to put them to use rather than bury them in her grief.

After this conversation Latta becam cheerful and more reconciled to fate.

As I have said, she had come to take a farewell leave of her mother's grave .-Just before quitting the cemetery, she lifetime of repentence to heal the wounds. knelt solemnly down by the mound which contained her dear one, and resting her burning brow against the cold slab that father to the fatherless,

So earnestly was she engaged that she did not heed a footstep that approached, them. until a sharp bark from Fido warned her that she was not alone.

THE HARTFORD HERALD.

"I COME. THE HERALD OF A NOISY WORLD, THE NEWS OF ALL NATIONS LUMBERING AT MY BACK."

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aged, standing beside her. He became very much confused when he found he was observed, and, lifting his hat, begged forgiveness for the intrusion.

"You are certainly excusable," said Latta. Then, looking at him attentively, she added: "Excused, provided you prom ise never to cross my pathway again .-Your face pains me. Good evening, sir.

"Sr y, miss-just one moment!" cried the intruder, as she called Fido to her side, and turned to leave the churchyard. She paused, and the stranger continued: "Tell me your name, and the relationship that existed between you and the lady at whose grave you knelt."

"Why, what is that to you? And, least of all, why do you wish my name? which I refuse to give!" replied Latta. "It is not through mere idle curiosity

that I ask. I implore you to tell me!" Seeing that he was so earnest, she relaxed, and with trembling voice responded: "She was my mother, Our names are the same."

"One more question. Why does my face pain you?"

"I answer, because you so closely resemble that unrelenting enemy of my poor mother, and the heartless destroyer of her happiness-my father."

"Would it pain you more to know that the person who stands before you is none other than your father?"

"No more," said she, in a deliberate one. "But why come you here? Is it to receive the dying message of my mother, that you were forgiven, and that her last prayer was that God, too, would forgive

Mr. Green seemed deeply affected. He seated himself on a stone, and burying his face in his hands, shivered as one in an ague. At length, gaining more control of himself, he looked at Latta, and said: "I came not to hear your mother's dying message, but to receive my forgiveness from her own lips. I came too late, for she is dead; and her daughter, too justly, stands ready to condemn me."

"Yes, I do condemn you, and severely too. You, who wooed and won my mother, filled her life with cares, and then, after robbing her of all means of support, cruelly abandoned her to the cold charities of the world, with me then but a mere babe!" exclaimed Latta.

"I cannot blame you for the censure you heap upon me. But, come and listen to the story of my wreck, and then try and look with pitying eyes upon your

wretched father. Latta seated herself near him, and motioned for him to proceed.

He went on to speak of his youth, hav- papers issued by the London city Misents at an early age, and he was left, a mere child, to fight the battle of life unaided and alone. Dame fortune favored him with an education. He read, and afterwards began the practice of, law. He He met and married an only and idolized child of wealthy parents, through whose influence he became quite popular at the bar. Truly did he love his young wife during the first year of his wedded life. At the expiration of that time he was obliged to visit a distant city on business, when he met and became very much infatuated with a lady, who afterwards visited the city of his residence. Imme-

diately that he heard of her arrival he called upon her, and many other clandestine meetings followed. He neglected wife, business, everything, to pass the hours with the enchantress. So entirely did he surrender

himself to her that her image floated ever before his waking vision, and her shape haunted his slumbers at night. How he heart. And not in vain was the wish. for his wife's parents died, leaving their immense fortune at his control.

Mr. Green dwelt long and painfully on this point of his villainous conduct, and of it from his memory. He deserted the She broke down at this, and laying her wife of his bosom and clove unto one who letters. cared not for him, but only for the wealth he possessed.

After procuring the divorce from his mediately sailed for Europe, where they spent their time until Earnest Green's wealth was expended. Then the woman for whom he had forsaken all proved treacherous, and in turn she deserted him

He returned to America. He dared not approach the wife he had so deeply wronged, and sue for forgiveness, So fearfully had he outraged her good name and lacerated her too-trusting beart, that he was conscious that it would require a

He wandered about the land for years, ecoming almost a veritable vagabond. One evening, as he sat in the deepening marked her mother's last resting-place, autumnal twilight, his thoughts reverted lifted soul and voice in prayer to that be- to the woful past. The forms and faces of nignant Being who has promised to be a his wife and child uprose before him, and he longed to gaze once more upon them, and woo forgiveness for his sins towards

For a year, with this end constantly in view, he labored hard and earnestly. She looked up hastily, and beheld a Finally he journeyed to the village where stranger, a gentleman apparently middle- they had taken up their abode, only to

learn that his wife had gone to join her parents in another world. He sought her grave to pray his first prayer to God, and there to offer up the vow of reformation. And there it was he met his daughter, as we have seen.

[Continued next week.]

William Grimm's Courting. Some people who write books never marry. It's a pity, because those who write books are good folks. Jacob and William Grimm, who wrote fairy stories, were bachelors. They always lived together and worked together, and wrote in a wonderfully contented way before either had a wife or children. At last, they thought it best that one of them should marry. Neither wanted a wife a bitwhich should it be?

After long waiting, Jacob, the older brother, concluded to be generous and self-forgetful, and relieve William of his share of the difficulty by taking the burden of a wife upon himself. So he selected a handsome young lady, but there he hesitated again and delayed, for he did not like to do the courting. William thought he would encourage him a little by going to see the young lady himself. He found her so handsome and engaging that he immediately fell in love with her, and to his surprise found courting the most agreeable thing in the world. But the lady was Jacob's by selection-now what was to be done? Here was trouble again. An old aunt went to Jacob, very kind-

ly, and said: # William is in love-he cannot wrong ou-what shall he do?"

"This is the most joyful tidings I ever heard," said Jacob. "Let him have her, let him have her!" And he packed his trunk and started off for the Hartz Moun-

William married, and Jacob came to live with him. In time he loved William's wife and little children very much. One of these children became a noble and useful man. And the two brothers grew old together, and when they were not writing books of great learning they did that other good thing-wrote fairy stories for little children.

This story of bachelor Jacob Grimm reminds me, though I hardly know why, of the crusty old bachelor who made a will, leaving his entire fortune to be divided among the girls who had refused him.

"For to them," he added feelingly, "I we all my earthly happiness."

The World Of London

Here are some curious statistics about London, which we extract from one of the

It covers within the fifteen miles' radius of Charing Cross nearly seven hundred

square miles. It numbers within these boundaries 4 000 000 inhabitants

It comprises 100,000 foreigners from very quarter of the globe.

It contains more Roman Catholics that Rome itself, more Jews than the whole of Palestine, more Irish than Dublin, more Scotchmen than Edinburgh, more Welshmen than Cardiff, and more country-born persons than the counties of Devort, Warvickshire, and Durham combined.

It has a birth in it every five minutes death in it every eight minutes, and seven accidents every day in its 7,000 miles of

It has on an average twenty-eight miles f new streets opened, and 9,000 new ouses built in it every year.

It has 1,000 ships and 9,000 sailors in ts port every day.

It has 117,000 habitual criminals on its police register, increasing at an average f 30,000 per annum. It has as many beer-shops and gin-

salaces as would, if placed side by side, stretch from Charing Cross to Portsmouth, distance of seventy-three miles.

It has as many paupers as would more than occupy every house in Brighton.

It has an influence with all parts of the vorld, represented by the yearly delivery in its postal districts of 238,000,000

Mark Twain, in a letter to the inventor of a mosquito net, talks in this way about wife, he was married to the lady who had the only thing worth talking about, now that the third term is gone: "There is nothing that a just and right-feeling man rejoices in more than to see a mosquite imposed on and put down and brow-beaten and aggravated, and this ingenious contrivance will do it. And it is a rare thing for another as he had deserted his wife for to worry a fly with, too. A fly will stand off and curse this invention till language utterly fails him. I have seen them do it hundreds of times. I like to dine in the air on the back porch in summer, and so would not be without this portable net for anything. When you get it hoisted the flies have to wait for the second table We shall see the summer come when we shall sit under our nets in church and slumber peacefully, while the discomfited flies club together and take it out of the minister. There are heaps of ways of getting priceless enjoyment out of these charming things, if I had time to point them out and dilate on them a little

> A burglar in North Carolina, who was shot by a farmer, was found to be a wo man in male attire.

Hypocrisy is the homage that vice pays

Buckskin Jack.

Sioux City Journal. There is now in the city stopping at the house of Fred Evans, as genuine a specimen of the American frontiersman as ever formed the central figure about which the dime novelist weaves his most fascinating tale of border life. Our hero for the nonce is Jack Rand, or as he is commonly called, Buckskin Jack, from the fact that his dress throughout is of buckskin. He stands six feet five inches in his stockings, and has one of those spare built, wiry frames which denote great strength and powers of endurance. From boyhood he has followed hunting as an occupation, and for several years past has made the wilds of Northern Wisconsin his home. When the Black Hills fever became epidemic, filled with the love of adventure peculiar to his class, he at once came to this city and joined the Gordon expedition. Soon after leaving here Jack was appointed hunter and scout for the train, and as soon as the game country was reached he kept the several messes well supplied with antelope, deer, bear, etc. But it is with Bucklkin Jack's principal adventure, and which came near costing his life, that we have to deal in this article, and which, if for no other eason, is interesting as showing the

WONDERFUL ENDURANCE

of a man. On the morning of the first capture of the Gordon party, Jack started out on a scout of twenty or twenty-five miles up the river, and aside from looking out for soldiers and Indians, was to select a camping place for the night. The latter duty performed, he waited until sundown for the men and wagons to come up, but they not coming, he concluded that something was wrong, and started back down the river, Reaching the camping-place of the night previous, he learned from the three men who had been out hunting, and thereby escaped capture, that the military captured the expedition and started for Randall. The four men stayed there that night, and without anything to eat. In the morning they started in the direction the soldiers had taken with their prisoners. On the way they met the Collins brothers who, with three ponies, had made their escape and were beaded for the hills, and from them learned that Gordon and Romans had also eluded the vigilance of the soldiers, and were then on their way up the Niobrara. Two of Jack's comrades went on and gave themselves up, while Jack and the other overtaken by Evans, who came out with with his paw. men weakened and decided to go into the camp, but Jack was spunky and swore be wouldn't, but would go to Gordon. Evans gave him a little bite to eat, also his boots and socks, and shaking his hands, bid him good-bye, when the scout

ALONE ON THE PRAIRIE.

For a moment he watched the fast receeding form of his friends, and then turned his face to the western wild, struck Gordon's trail, and hoped to sup with him that night. Reaching the old camp, he appeased his hunger with some castaway bacon rinds, and going on about ten miles laid down on the prairie and slept, having given up hope of overtaking Gordon that night. In the morning he resumed his march. For six successive days he wandered here and there, his course being first in one direction and then n another as indications pointed. He struck several trails, but would lose them on the hard alkali soil, and what the man endured from hunger and thirst can not be expressed in words. He finally got so that he did not crave food, and only longed for water, and when he would reach a river or creek he would throw himself down and lap the cooling liquid like a dog. He was forced to throw away his gun, and that, he says, was the hardest thing of all to do, and then the boots Evans had given him, and finally his coat. He got so weak that he would have to lie down every few rods, and still his courage never deserted him, and his

and indomitable will kept him alive where any ordinary mortal would have perished. Finally, on the seventh day out, when he felt that his hours were few, he saw the returning wagons of the transportation company in the distance coming down the trail, and now that he knew deliverance was at hand, his strength suddenly deserted him, and he pitched forward senseless. The men picked him up, and after considerable exertion, restored him to consciousness. His famished body could not at first stand anything more than nourishing soups, but under the careful attention of Fred. Evans he was soon out of danger, and accompanied the wagons to this city. Here he will stay until he recovers his accustomed vigor, when he declares his intention of again striking out for the Black Hills.

An almost ridiculous use of steam is ound on Duck river, Tenn., on which placid stream a steamboat, drawing only twelve inches of water, and having a grist mill on board, wanders up and down, stopping where she is wanted to grind a the territory.

This is the way it happened in a town not far from Elmira. One of the regular attendants at Central Church is a railroad conductor. He is regular, not so much from any personal inclination for Calvinism as from the fact that he has a firstrate Presbyterian wife, who keeps him in the way he should go. A few Sundays since, one of the deacons was absent, and our conductor was requested to pass the plate. Of course he consented. For the first dozen pews everything passed off well. There was a regular financial shower of nickels and dimes, and the railroad man watched sharp, but couldn't see that anybody "got away" without responding. Finally he came to a seat where the occupant was either busted or lisinclined, for he shook his head, but made no attempt on his pocket. The and throws away more than enough mon- and rites of his religion. conductor looked at him sharply, but no cash appeared. Then he nudged his shoulder, and softly said, "Tickets, sir!" Again the man's head wagged horizontally, but the stamps didn't come. "Pass, then," whispered the conductor. Still no response. Just as the railroad chap was about to call to the brakeman and firemanto help pitch the impecunious worshiper out of doors, the regular deacon came in and relieved his proxy. The conductor says he believes in running a church the same way you would a train-if a man won't pay, or hasn't a pass, let him git.

Capart's Servant. Jules Verne is a wild inventor, and fa mous for his improbabilities; but his orang, "Jupe," in the story of "The Mysterious Island," that acts as waiter, etc., like an intelligent negro servant, is no improbable creation. The wonderful African chimpanzee, "Tombouctou," now in Paris, is a fact, and would make an excellent mate for Verne,s fiction. He is perfectly tame and gentle. While

his master, M. Capart, lived at Sierra Leone, he filled in his house the office of domestic, saluting visitors, opening doors, etc. When they embarked for France, Tombouctou suffered some days from sea-sickness, but after his recovery he jumped about on deck, on yard arms and masts, and became a great favorite with the sailors. When the ship was entering the Gulf of Gascony, Mme. Capart was startled at missing her baby, a child eight months old. Looking about her, and then up towards the sky, she saw the monkey, with the baby in his arms, on the top of the main-mast, gravely seated on a yard arm, rocking the child to and fro, as he had turned back, thinking they could over- seen the mother often do, while now and take Gordon. On the tramp, they were then he would give it a pat on the check

then, while every eye was upon him, he executed a prodigious cabriole, descended in an instant the backstay, and, hooking himself by his tail to the vard-beam, balenced himself with his burden, The mother screamed, but the captain put his hand over her mouth, commanding silence, as the monkey might be frightened and let go his hold of the baby. Finally came a dash of sea against and over the ship, when Tombouctou let go the mast and fell, but with such address as to catch himself with one hand to a ladder, and with one bound was upon the bridge, with the your mother has taught you." baby safe and sound in his arms.

He Knew His Age. In the times when the political warfare between Whigs and Democrats waxed hot and relentless, there was a were so equal in numbers that the variation of a single vote, one way or the other, might be a matter of most serious consequence. Of course, on both sides sharp the foxes tails together. He said: eyes were open and watchful.

A young man came up to the polling place on election day and offered his vote. It was his first appearance in the character of an elector, and he had the inde pendence, or the audacity, to differ politcally with his father. His father challenged his vote.

"On what grounds?" demanded the presiding officer.

"He ain't twenty-one."

"I am twenty-one," asserted the youth "No you ain't," persisted the father; you won't be twenty-one till to-mor-

"I say I will!" cried the youth, "I was born on the twelfth day of November. It is down so in the old Bible. "Then it's a dod-rotted mistake," said

the old man. "You wern't born till the mornin' of the thirteenth of November, I can swear." "How can you swear?"

"How?" replied the father, indignantly 'Good gracious, wasn't I thar?" "Well," returned the son, with prou defiance, "wasn't I there, too?"

The young man voted.

An Arkansas youth came to his fathe and said: "Dad, they ain't knives enuff to sot the table." Dad-"Whar's big butch, little butch, the case, cob handle, granny's knife and the one I handled vesterday? That's enough to sot any gentleman's table, without you've lost um."

A farmer complains that a hook and ladder company has been organized in his neighborhood. He states that the ladder is used after dark for climbing into is done.

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Wouldn't Take off Another Foot.

larger than ours, and they had tails twen-

ours they were fifteen feet long"

"Ahem!" louder than before.

gant, we'll just say they were ten feet."

shaking his finger at the clerk, said:

hae the foxes with nae teels at a'?"

A Poetical Proposal.

Fletcher perfected it, and a kiss put the

They that deny a God destroy man's

God by his spirit, he is a base and ignoble

"Mr. D ..., if you'll get my coat done

seal to the symbolical bargain.

done," said the tailor.

running for office.

ty feet long."

paper. - Printer's Circutar

subscription for the paper."

ular price of subscription.

The Cathedral of Lima Pern There are so few historical buildings in the New World that the items belonging to these have always an interest, and seem to give our young nationalities a link that connects them in a slight degree "Suppose we make a bargain," said with such buildings as the Albambra, the the editor, "in this way. Go home and Tuileries, St. Peter's, and Westminster Abbey. The cathedral at Lima is one of

sell the eggs that the hen lays during the the few buildings the Americas own possessing historical importance. year, and send the proceeds to me as your When Pizarro, after reducing the empire of the Incas, determined to found a The farmer was pleased at so easy a way city whose extent and magnificence should pay for his paper, and readily consentd. The result was, that during the year be in a measure commensurate with the importance of his conquest and the glory the hen paid for the paper twice its regof Spain, one of the first buildings des This is by no means a pure fiction, for ed was a cathedral; for, illiterate and cruel as the stout old warrior was, he still the same may be true in a great multitude of cases. Almost every one wastes had a great veneration for the mysteries

The dimensions of the cathedral, which ev during the year to get a weekly or daily newspaper that would furnish him with was modeled after that of Seville, are truly intellectual food, and keep him posted in such as befit a vice-regal city. It has the busy, stirring events of the day. A a front of seven hundred and twenty feet very small retrenchment in the luxuries and a depth of over a thousand feet, and that almost every one indulges in would the front is flanked by towers one hundred and fifty feet high.

It was ninety years in building, and during that time the men who had fought and suffered to make Peru a colony of Spain had passed away, many of them, in fact the most of them, by a bloody and disgraceful death. Even Pizarro, whose career seems like a fairy, tale in which he, as a grand bulwark between them and the hero, is guided by a protecting and political military oppression; it has sound- favor-giving genie, died by the dastardly blow of an assassin.

Earthquakes came and shook its walls, and so the cost of the edifice, even though the labor was so cheap and the material often donated, was \$594,000. This does not include the many beautiful decorations that private piety has bestowed, and at all times, carrying light in places where though centuries have rolled over it, giving it the age-stains that tell of many years, it is still a rich and imposing building.-Hearth and Home.

ness, ignorance, vice and oppression would flourish unopposed, let no one any longer Paris Cor. Home Journal. say that he is too poor to take a news-The Paris shops are full of the most fanciful designs in this one detail of feminine attire. They are made in cream Believe What Your Mother Has color, lemon color, orange yellow, straw An old story regarding Ethan Allen is color, pink, pale blue, pale green, lilac opportunely revived by the Washington light brown, dark brown, crimson, scar-Chronicle. Allen had the reputation of let, purple-in short, in every shade of being an open unbeliever in Christianity. every color. But the precise tint is only He published the first formal attack on half the question; the designs worked upthe Christian religion ever written in on the stocking are by far the most im-America. He inclined to the doctrine of portant part of it, as regards fashion, and Pythagoras, and believed in the transmi- these are of the most varied description. gration of souls. His wife was a woman One pair of stockings which excited much of exemplary piety, and his children, with admiration from the passers of a certain the exception of one daughter, shared well-known shop in Paris was in lemon The daughter inclined to the strange ered with bunches of black currents, with opinions of the father. When about to their twigs and leaves, most delicately die she sent for him. The rough-spoken embroidered in the colored silks. Anman, whose heart was as tender as a other example of ornamentation lay close child's, came to the bedside of the dying at hand, in the form of a black silk stockgirl. "Father, I am about to die," said ing, round the leg of which a garter of she, "shall I believe in the principles you pink rosebuds and leaves winding aphave taught me, or shall I believe in ward from the ankle was exquisitely emwhat my mother has taught me?" The broidered. This last fashion is very popfather became agitated, his lips quivered, ular just now. Stockings so embroidered tears ran down his cheeks, and bending are, of course, enormously dear. Few over his dying child, he said, with a voice women can afford to buy many such exchoked with emotion, "Believe what pensive articles of dress as these garlanded stockings; therefore it becomes a matter of eager competition among the leaders of fashion to secure as many speci-A Highland minister given somewhat mens of the latest rage as their purses to exaggeration in the pulpit, was remon- will allow. The mania is inetilled, and strated with by his clerk, and told of its henceforth the woman of the world takes ill effects upon the congregation. He re- rank according to her stockings. Gartown out West in which the two parties plied that he was not aware of it, and lands of flowers do not hold the field wished the clerk, the next time he did it alone, it must be observed. In some to give a cough by way of a hint. Soon cases inscriptions and devices are emafter he was describing Samson's tying broidered round the legs of the modern stockings, and rows and patterns are "The foxes in those days were much worked in colored silk stars or spots. The ground, however, of all this work, must

> on no account, be white. An Intelligent Mouse.

"Ahem!" came from the clerk's desk. "That is," continued the preacher, "ac-A poor little mouse, whose home is cording to their measurement; but by nder the floor of the Reveille office, came out this morning to forage for his breakfast. Seeing some printing ink which "But as you may think this extrava had been spilled on the floor, he thought that would make a good meal, and he "Ahem! ahem," still more vigorously. went for it. After nibbling a little while, The parson leaned over the pulpit, and he became frightened at a noise made ly those watching him, and started to run 'You may cough there all night, mor back to his hole; but the ink being of a -I'll nae take off a fut more. Would ye sticky nature, he found his feet held fast to the floor and himself unable to move. whereupon he sat up a doleful squeak. In a few moments along came a larger Daniel Webster's proposal to Miss mouse, probably his father, who seemed Fletcher is worth remembering. Like many other lovers, he was caught holding to take in the situation at a glance, and a skein of thread or wool which the lady at once commenced an a ttempt to release had been unraveling. "Gracie," said he, his diminutive relative. He stepped care-"we have been untying knots. Let us see fully over the ink till he came to the litif we cannot tie one which will not untie tle mouse, and, laying hold of the back in a life-time." With a piece of tape he of its neck with his teeth, tugged away fashioned half a true lover's knot, Miss till he released it.

A woman may be of great assistance to her husband in business, by wearing a cheerful countenance. A man's perplexobility, for certainly man is kin to the ities and gloominess are increased a hunbeast by his body; and if he is not kin to dred fold when his better-half moves about with a continual scowl upon her brow.

How a woman can keep on talking by Saturnay. I shall be forever indebted while she twists up her back hair and has to you." "If that's your game it won't her mouth full of hairpins is a mystery not yet explained.

Be temperate in your diet. Our first bushel or two of corn for the farmers of the hen-house, after which the hooking quainted with his family history without parents ate themselves out of house and

No man can become thoroughly ac-